

Resolution

Adopted, June 1, 2006

Loudoun Economic Development Commission Policy & Implementation Committee

The Policy and Implementation Committee, while recognizing the direction of the Board of Supervisors to produce \$13 million in personnel savings this year, urges the County to quickly approve the filling of the soon to be vacated position of Manager, Agricultural & Rural Economic Development.

Without this position, the rural economic development program will stagnate and senior economic development staff from other areas will be diverted to assist the rural program.

As you know, the Survey of Residents conducted in 2005 indicates that when asked what single thing citizens most like about Loudoun, both “rural/open/country” and “beauty/scenic views” rank in the top five on the list with “rural/open/country” leading the list. We believe this position is critical to sustaining what is unique and valued about Loudoun through the growth of a vibrant rural economy. This position is the focal point for implementing key aspects of the community’s adopted economic development strategic plan, attracting and supporting rural business investment, and administering the agricultural district program. This rural economic development program provides a long-term return to the community in both dollars and cents fiscally and in sustaining the quality of life for citizens and visitors.

Please quickly approve filling this position.

Thank you.



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Vice Chair, Loudoun Economic Development Commission


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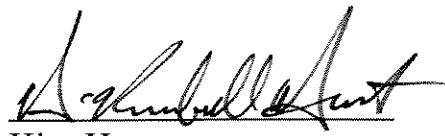
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